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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, on 27 March 1952

Director of Central Intelligence
General Walter Bedell Smith
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General A. R. Bolling, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Felix L. Johnson, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Colonel Edward H. Porter, acting for Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Dr. Walter F. Colby, Director of Intelligence, Atomic Energy
Commission
Colonel S. M. Lansing, acting for Deputy Director for
Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, acting for Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Loftus E. Becker, Central Intelligence Agency
Dr. Sherman Kent, Central Intelligence Agency
Dr. H. M. Chadwell, Central Intelligence Agency
25X1 Mr. Lyman Kirkpatrick, Central Intelligence Agency
[redacted] Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Ludwell Montague, Central Intelligence Agency
25X1 [redacted] Central Intelligence
Agency
Mr. Chester Cooper, Central Intelligence Agency
Brigadier General John Weckerling, Department of the Army
Colonel O. B. Sykes, Department of the Army
Lieut. Colonel U. G. Carlan, Department of the Army
Mr. Roy S. Tod, Department of the Army
Captain Ray Malpass, USN, Department of the Navy
Colonel J. C. Marchant, Department of the Air Force
Colonel James F. Pinkney, Department of the Air Force
Colonel Charles F. Gillis, Department of the Air Force

James Q. Reber
Secretary

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Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the last meeting, 20 March 1952 (IAC-M-65) were approved.

2. After the meeting attention was called to an error in paragraph 3., last sentence. This sentence should be deleted and added to paragraph 4, it being applicable to the China Trade paper (EIC-R-1). || >

Chinese Communist Capabilities and Intentions with Respect to Taiwan (NIE-27/1)

3. Action: Approved as amended.

4. Discussion: General Bolling queried whether this NIE was not over lengthy for the use of policy officers. While he said he did not recommend abridgment of this document, he proposed that consideration might be given to shortening the estimates in the future.

Proposed National Intelligence Estimates (IAC-D-46)

5. Action: Approved with the change of target date in the case of NIE-67 to July 15.

Paper Mills and Fabrication (IA-6)

6. Action: Agreed that after there had been an opportunity to study this paper the agencies would consider action to reduce or eliminate the problems posed in this paper. It was proposed that this might be done through the existing Interagency Priorities Committee or through the establishment of a source control center in SO with a liaison officer from the Services.

7. Discussion: Mr. Kirkpatrick called attention to the seriousness of the problem posed in this paper not only for CIA but for the whole intelligence community. He stated that CIA is convinced that the solution to this problem lies in a cooperative effort of the collection agencies with the support of the research organizations. He realized that this would require the exchange among the agencies of certain kinds of information which are very sensitive. Whichever method to attack this problem jointly seemed preferable, it was the CIA view that it would have to be handled by a single individual in each agency who was fully informed on sources.

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8. General Smith emphasized the seriousness of this problem and indicated that it was the duty of all to find the best solution possible. Colonel Porter noted the advantages to be gained by collaborative efforts of our representatives abroad. General Smith agreed that such cooperation should be achieved abroad but believed that Washington collaboration on the problem was essential. He emphasized the need for action to eliminate the problem as far as possible.

25X1 9. Mr. Kirkpatrick noted that other copies of this paper were available for very limited distribution. Agency requests for additional copies should be referred to Mr. Kirkpatrick's office.

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